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RE: Application No. 09/005,711
Title: Method to Determine the Activity of an Enzyme
Filed: January 12, 1998
Applicant: Robert W. Brocia

Dear Sir or Madam:

I am filing this petition to prevent the unintentional abandonment of this application for not responding to a Notice of Appeal filed on August 15, 2002.

Please allow me to withdraw the Notice of Appeal and file the enclosed CPA.

Sincerely,

Robert W. Brocia
Applicant